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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/748,061 Confirmation No.: 8322  
Applicant : Patrick A. Tresco et al.  
Title : COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR  
REGULATING THE ADHESION OF CELLS  
AND BIOMOLECULES TO HYDROPHOBIC  
SURFACES  
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Customer No. : 21552

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action of August 29, 2005. A Petition for Extension of Time (three months) is submitted to extend the response deadline until February 28, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.